

Wednesday, September 13, 1995

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHT

House passed the Intelligence Authorization and Deficit Reduction Lock-Box bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1235-1239, and S. Res. 171.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 104-140)

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Family Self-Sufficiency Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) By 66 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 416), Domenici Modified Amendment No. 2575 (to Amendment No. 2280), to strike the mandatory family cap.

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(2) DeWine Amendment No. 2518 (to Amendment No. 2280), to modify the method for calculating participation rates to more accurately reflect the total case load of families receiving assistance in the State.

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(3) By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 418), Mikulski Amendment No. 2668 (to Amendment No. 2280), to eliminate a repeal of title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965.

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(4) Lieberman Modified Amendment No. 2514 (to Amendment No. 2280), to establish a job placement performance bonus that provides an incentive for States to successfully place individuals in unsubsidized jobs.

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(5) By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 420), Boxer Modified Amendment No. 2592 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide that State authority to restrict benefits to noncitizens does not apply to foster care or adoption assistance programs.

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(6) Division 1 of Cohen Amendment No. 2586 (to Amendment No. 2280), to modify the religious provider provision.

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(7) By 59 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 421), Division 2 of Cohen Amendment No. 2586 (to Amendment No. 2280), to modify the religious provider provision.

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(8) Harkin Amendment No. 2680 (to Amendment No. 2280), to express the sense of the Senate regarding competitive bidding for infant formula.

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(9) Harkin Amendment No. 2545 (to Amendment No. 2280), to require each family receiving assistance under the State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to enter into a personal responsibility contract or a limited benefit plan.

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Rejected:

(1) By 42 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 413), Moseley-Braun Amendment No. 2471 (to Amendment No. 2280), to require States to establish a voucher program for providing assistance to minor children in families that are eligible for but do not receive assistance.

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(2) By 40 yeas to 60 nays (Vote No. 414), Moseley-Braun Amendment No. 2472 (to Amendment No. 2280), to prohibit a State form imposing a time limit for assistance if the State has failed to provide work activity-related services to an adult individual in a family receiving assistance under the State program.

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(3) By 34 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 415), Graham/Bumpers Amendment No. 2565 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide a formula for allocating

funds that more accurately reflects the needs of States with children below the poverty line.

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(4) By 38 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 417), Daschle Amendment No. 2671 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide a 3 percent set aside for the funding of family assistance grants for Indians.

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(5) By 24 yeas to 76 nays (Vote No. 419), Faircloth Amendment No. 2603 (to Amendment No. 2280), to deny assistance for out-of-wedlock births to minors.

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Withdrawn:

Coats/Ashcroft Amendment No. 2539 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide a tax credit for charitable contributions to organizations providing poverty assistance.

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Pending:

Dole Modified Amendment No. 2280, of a perfecting nature.

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Subsequently, the amendment was further modified.

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Daschle Amendment No. 2672 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide for the establishment of a Contingency Fund for State Welfare Programs.

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Faircloth Amendment No. 2608 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide for an abstinence education program.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 2584 (to Amendment No. 2280), to exempt women and children who have been battered or subject to extreme cruelty from certain requirements of the bill.

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Faircloth Amendment No. 2609 (to Amendment No. 2280), to prohibit teenage parents from living in the home of an adult relative or guardian who has a history of receiving assistance.

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Conrad Amendment No. 2528 (to Amendment No. 2280), to provide that a State that provides assistance to unmarried teenage parents under the State program require such parents as a condition of receiving such assistance to live in an adult-supervised setting and attend high school or other equivalent training program.

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Jeffords Amendment No. 2581 (to Amendment No. 2280), to strike the increase to the grant to reward States that reduce out-of-wedlock births.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments pending thereto, on Thursday, September 14, 1995.

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Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—421)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 8:56 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, September 14, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S13552.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported, with amendments, H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs, and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR/HHS/EDUCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, H.R. 2127, making Appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, H.R. 1976, making appropriations for agriculture, rural development, Food and Drug Administration, and related agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

NINTH CIRCUIT COURT REORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to divide the current United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit into two circuits, including S. 853 and S. 956, after receiving testimony from Senators Gorton, Burns, Inouye, Reid, and Murray; Chief Judge J. Clifford Wallace, United States Court of Appeals for the